## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:		
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING	)	RESOLUTION NO. 12-015
MARCH 2012 AS AMERICAN	)	
RED CROSS MONTH	)	

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross has touched many lives in Amador County, as well as across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS, during American Red Cross Month, we thank those who contribute to the mission of the Red Cross, whether through time, money or blood, and we invite others to support the Red Cross in helping people in need down the street, across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is synonymous with helping people, and has been doing so for more than 130 years. Throughout the past year, the American Red Cross launched hundreds of disaster relief operations in the United States to help people affected by fires, floods, hurricanes and tornadoes. The Capital Region Chapter, which includes the Mother Lode area, responded to the Lincoln rail car fire and provided 1600 residents with information and assistance at one of three evacuation centers. The American Red Cross also supported major international disasters, including the Japan earthquake and tsunami response, while continuing its work on the 2010 Haiti earthquake response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, in Amador County, the Red Cross works tirelessly through its two employees and over one dozen volunteers to support us when disaster strikes – when someone needs the comfort of a helping hand. Each year staff and volunteers provide assistance to between thirty and fifty families affected by disaster throughout the Mother Lode, ensuring that those families have a safe place to stay and the basic necessities of life. Volunteers also step forward to recruit and train other community members so that our County will be better prepared should disaster strike. Red Cross also provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and their families, and provides training in CPR, aquatics safety, and first aid; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 100 years, United States presidents have called on the American people to support the Red Cross and its humanitarian mission. Our communities depend on the American Red Cross and because it is not a government agency, the Red Cross depends on support from the public to continue its humanitarian work. This is especially important in these challenging economic times – which impact the Red Cross and many people in our communities and across the nation.

(RESOLUTION NO. 12-015) (02/28/12)

NOW THEREFORE, WE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, of Amador County, State of California, do hereby proclaim March 2012 as American Red Cross Month.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012 by the following vote:

AYES:

Theodore F. Novelli, Richard M. Forster, Louis D. Boitano, Brian Oneto

and John Plasse

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

Jennifu Burns

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Amador County, California

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